

2012 LANDSCAPE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Annual Report



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Committee Members

The committee is comprised of eleven (11) members under the following ten (10) categories:

Joe Bennett Horticulturist/Arborist

Christinia Bickelmann Water Conservation Specialists

Carianne Campbell Ecologist/Wildlife Habitat Specialist

Current Vice-Chair

Elizabeth Davison Neighborhood Representative

Kathryn Hahne Educator

Roger Howlett Urban Plannter/Architect

Joan Lionetti Other

Grant McCormick Landscape Architect

Pepper Provenzano Neighborhood Representative

Les Shipley Business Community

Chair

Deborah Munoz-Chacon Landscape Contractor

Meeting Dates:

The Committee met quorum and conducted meetings at the Specialized Services Conference Room, 900 S. Randolph Way, on the following dates:

- January 18, 2012
- February 15, 2012
- March 21, 2012
- April 11, 2012
- May 5, 2012
- June 13, 2012

- August 8, 2012
- September 12, 2012
- October 10, 2012
- November 14, 2012
- December 12, 2012

Membership Changes

- Terms ending in 2012:
 - o Harold Hummer, Horticulturist/Arborist, second term ended May 2012
 - o Paula Smith, Landscape Contractor, second term ended May 2012
- New appointments in 2012:
 - o Jim Bennett, Horticulturist/Arborist
 - o Deborah Munoz-Chaco, Landscape Contractor
- Re-appointments for second term in 2012:
 - o Elizabeth Davison, Neighborhood Representative
 - o Les Shipley, Business Community

Ad-Hoc Subcommittees

- Tree-Policy-Manual Subcommittee
- Trees-Utility Subcommittee
- Urban Heat Island Workshop Subcommittee
- Messaging Campaign Subcommittee

Summary of Activities

- a. January:
 - 1) Photo Exercise & Discussion: Importance of Landscape Communication
- b. February:
 - 1) Presentation by Deborah Tosline, Parks & Recreation Commission member, Parks projects that include green/sustainability elements
 - 2) Continuance of discussion: Importance of Landscape Communication
- c. March:
 - 1) Continuance of discussion: Importance of Landscape Communication
- d. April:
 - 1) Presentation: Lucy Amparano, TDOT Streets Administrator, Street's Landscape Maintenance Budget
 - 2) Continuance of discussion: Importance of Landscape Communication

e. May:

- 1) Continuance of discussion: Importance of Landscape Communication
- 2) Update of Urban Heat Island Workshop

f. June:

- 1) Update of members attending Plan Tucson workshops
- 2) Continuance of discussion: Importance of Landscape Communication

g. August:

- 1) Presentation: Claire Zucker, PAG Sustainable Environment Program Director, PAG's initiatives under this program
- 2) Information from C.Campbell about the Mayor's Green Roundtable
- h. Continuance of discussion: Importance of Landscape Communication

i. September:

- 1) Introduction to the new Transportation Director, unable to attend, reschedule for later date
- 2) Update on City's parks and street trees
- 3) Letter to the Editor sent by K.Hahne regarding illegal, and incorrect, pruning of street trees
- 4) LAC Chair and J.Lionetti presented Landscape Maintenance messaging to City Manager's City Beautiful Committee
- 5) Continuance of discussion: Importance of Landscape Communication

i. October:

- 1) Introduction to new Transportation Director
- 2) Discussion on Pima County's revised DOT's R.O.W. Policy
- 3) Continuance of discussion: Importance of Landscape Communication
- 4) LAC members presented messaging to Mayor & Council members individually
- 5) LAC subcommittee met with TEP to update tree list and discussion tree-utility conflict

k. November:

- 1) Continuance of discussion: Importance of Landscape Communication
- 2) Present messaging to Mayor & Council at study session
- 3) LAC subcommittee discussion with Trees for Tucson to update tree list

1. December:

- 1) Presentation: L.Ethen, Director Office of Conservation & Sustainable Development, STAR Rating system
- 2) Presentation: D. Rhoades, Ward 1 Aide, Stormwater dedicated funding
- 3) Continuance of discussion: Importance of Landscape Communication